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Applicant: Keith D. ALLEN

Serial No.: 09/900,715

Filed: July 6, 2001

Title: Transgenic Mice Protein Phosphatase 2C
Gene Disruptions

Group Art Unit: 1632

Examiner: **Woitach, Joseph T.**

Customer No. 26619

Docket/Order No. R-775

Date: October 20, 2003

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 18, 2003 in connection with the above-identified application, Applicant requests entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks. A three (3) month shortened statutory period for reply was given, making this response due on or before October 20, 2003, insofar as October 18, 2003 falls on a Saturday. It is believed that no fees are due in association with the instant response; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 50-1271 under Order No. R-775

THE AMENDMENTS

Applicant submits that this Amendment follows the revised format described in *AMENDMENTS IN A REVISED FORMAT NOW PERMITTED*, published in *Official Gazette* on February 25, 2003. As such, only one copy of each replacement paragraph, section or claim is required. Further, amendments to the claims are made by presentation of a complete listing of all claims including any amendments.